

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 5, which starts with "If the printing temperature  $T_P$ ", with the following amended paragraph:

If the printing temperature  $T_P$  remains under the maximum value  $T_{MAX}$ , then a NO signal 422 is issued from the overheating check operation 416, and following completion of swath printing operation 414, a determination is made at 424 as to whether the last print swath denoted by variable "N" has been printed (when  $X = N$ ). If so, a YES signal 426 is issued to an end printing operation 428, and printheads 122 may be returned to a conventional printhead service station for servicing, and capping (hermetically sealing) to await the next print request 130. If the particular print swath X does not correspond to the last print swath N and more swaths need to be printed, then a NO signal 430 is issued to a monitoring operation 432.